U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Electrical wiring, particularly potential fire hazards with wiring in older dwellings, and the development of arc-fault circuit interrupters.

DATE OF MEETING: June 20, 2002

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: William H. King, Jr., ES Luca

DATE OF LOG ENTRY: June 21, 2002

LOCATION: NAHB Research Center, Upper Marlboro, MD

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): William H. King, Jr., ES Doug Lee, ESEE Andrew Trotta, ESEE

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S):
G. Robert Fuller, NAHB Research Center
Stephen Scully, NAHB Research Center
Robert Hill, NAHB Research Center

SUMMARY OF MEETING: Under contract with CPSC in the 1994-1996 timeframe, NAHB Research Center produced three video tapes to bring attention to home wiring hazards, and the steps that could be taken to reduce the risk of wiring fires. Messrs. King, Lee and Trotta discussed developments at CPSC since then

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to further address electrical wiring fires in homes. CPSC has distributed copies of the tapes prepared by NAHB Research Center to fire and electrical officials nationwide. CPSC staff discussed the application of the NFPA 73 electrical wiring inspection code, and the development of arc-fault circuit interrupter technology.

NAHB Research Center staff expressed interest in working with CPSC and others to research the condition of electrical wiring systems of the various types that have been installed in dwellings since homes had electrical systems.